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How to change front lower arm on MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204) – replacement guide







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This video shows the replacement procedure of a similar car part on another vehicle

i Important!

This replacement procedure can be used for:

MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204) C 250 CGI (204.247), MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204) C 200 CDI (204.201), MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204) C 180 CGI (204.249), MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204) C 180 CDI (204.200), MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204) C 350 CDI (204.223), MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204) C 350 CGI (204.257), MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204) C 63 AMG (204.277), MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204) C 180 Kompressor (204.246), MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204) C 200 Kompressor (204.241), MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204) C 230 (204.252), MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204) C 280 (204.254), MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204) C 200 CDI (204.207), MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204) C 220 CDI (204.208), MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204) C 220 CDI (204.208), MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204) C 320 CDI (204.222), (+ 10)

The steps may slightly vary depending on the car design.

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Please note that this tutorial was created based on the replacement procedure for this car part on a car with a similar design.

This tutorial was created based on the replacement procedure for a similar car part on: MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class Saloon (W204) C 220 CDI (204.008)

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REPLACEMENT: FRONT LOWER ARM – MERCEDES-BENZ C-CLASS T-MODELL (S204). LIST OF THE TOOLS YOU'LL NEED:



- Wire brush
- WD-40 spray
- Brake cleaner
- Ceramic grease
- Copper grease
- Torque wrench
- Combination spanner #21

- Combination spanner #22
- Torx bit E20
- Wheel impact socket #17
- Ratchet wrench
- Ball joint puller
- Hydraulic transmission jack
- Wheel chock

Buy tools

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Replacement: front lower arm – MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204). Tip from AUTODOC experts:

- The replacement procedure is identical for the left and right lower control arms.
- Please note: all work on the car MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204) should be done with the engine switched off.

CARRY OUT REPLACEMENT IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

- Secure the wheels with chocks.
- Loosen the wheel mounting bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17.



Raise the car.

Replacement: front lower arm – MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204). AUTODOC recommends:

- If you are using a jack, make sure it rests on a flat surface without any unevenness.
- Be sure to additionally secure the car with jack stands.

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Unscrew the wheel bolts.



AUTODOC recommends:

Warning! To avoid injury, hold the wheel while unscrewing the fastening bolts.
 MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204)

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Remove the wheel.



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Clean all joints of the arm. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



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Unscrew the fastener connecting the control arm to the subframe. Use a combination spanner #21. Use Torx E20. Use a ratchet wrench.



Unscrew the ball joint fastening to the steering knuckle. Use a combination spanner #21.



Prop up the steering knuckle. Use a hydraulic transmission jack.



Disconnect the ball joint from the steering knuckle. Use a ball joint puller.



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Remove the support from under the steering knuckle.



AUTODOC recommends:

Replacement: front lower arm – MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204).
 Lower the transmission jack smoothly, without jerks, to avoid damaging components and mechanisms.

Remove the fastening bolt.



Remove the arm.



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Clean the suspension arm mounting seats. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



15 Install a new arm.



Replacement: front lower arm – MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204). Tip from AUTODOC:

- During the installation process, use only new bolts and nuts.
- 16 Install the fastening bolt.



Connect the ball joint to the steering knuckle.



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Prop up the steering knuckle. Use a hydraulic transmission jack.



AUTODOC recommends:

- For tightening the fasteners correctly, you have to jack up the suspension components to their working position.
- Tighten the fastener connecting the ball joint to the steering knuckle. Use a combination spanner #22. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 50 Nm torque.+60°



Tighten the fastener connecting the control arm to the subframe. Use a combination spanner #21. Use Torx E20. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 80 Nm torque.+120°



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Remove the support from under the steering knuckle.



AUTODOC recommends:

- Replacement: front lower arm MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204).
 Lower the transmission jack smoothly, without jerks, to avoid damaging components and mechanisms.
- Treat all joints of the arm. Use copper grease.



Clean the wheel rim mounting seat. Use a wire brush.



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Treat the surface where the brake disc contacts the wheel rim. Use ceramic grease.



Clean the brake disk surface. Use a brake cleaner.



AUTODOC recommends:

• After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.

26 Install the wheel.



AUTODOC recommends:

 Warning! To avoid injury, hold the wheel while screwing in the fastening bolts on the car. MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S204)

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27 Screw in the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17.



Lower the car and working in a cross order, tighten the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 130 Nm torque.



Remove the jacks and chocks.





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